

2.12 QUALIFIED MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES (QMB)

When a client is dually eligible for QMB coverage and another full Medicaid coverage group, both benefits are issued under the full Medicaid coverage group case number. Continuing eligibility for both benefits must be determined separately based on the changed case circumstances. If the client remains eligible for both benefits at the same level the full Medicaid coverage group case is updated in the data system to reflect the current case information. If the change results in a spenddown in the full Medicaid case and the client remains eligible for QMB, the QMB benefit must **continue uninterrupted**. If the client is ineligible for QMB, the benefit is discontinued after proper notification.